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Flying the Future

### NASK Housing and Hawks Landing Make "A" Team for Third Time

The NASK Housing Welcome Center was on the cutting edge when the Navy established Public Private Venture (PPV) housing for military members back in 1996.

The Navy's first such venture was right here at NAS Kingsville only a year later.

And thanks to the leadership of the NASK Housing Installation Program Manager Lynn Early and her staff, the air station's housing efforts continue to be among the finest in the Navy.

The department recently won two major awards for their work while attending a professional development seminar in San Diego, Calif.

For the third consecutive year, Hawks Landing PPV housing has been named to the "A List" for excellence in customer service. In order to make the list, Navy participating housing communities must score at least an 85 per cent score in an annual customer satisfaction survey and have a response rate of at least 20 percent. The program is conducted by CEL &

Associates, the nation's largest surveyor of resident satisfaction and recognizes those properties that have achieved the highest levels of service and excellence. Because of the high standards, this award is one of the most sought after recognition programs within the real estate industry.

NASK Housing's second award is the "Professional Housing Management Association Outstanding Housing Installation Team-Privatization Award for 2005." This award cites the teamwork efforts between the Housing Welcome Center on board NASK and the Realm Group's management at Hawks Landing. This award cited the staff's "out-of-the-box" thinking focused on their development of innovative practices to enhance the quality of life for our Sailors and their families, their use of customer surveys to continuously evaluate their

(See Housing, continued on page 4.)



For the third consecutive year, NASK PPV Hawks Landing has made the "A" list for excellence in customer satisfaction. The award winning team pictured here also won a national teamwork award for their overall management of the housing department. Starting left: Rosa Quintanilla, Realm Group manager of Hawks Landing; Lynn Early, NASK Housing Manager and Libby Kopatz, Housing Referral Specialist.

# National Prayer Breakfast at Naval Air Station Kingsville



Eighty civilian and military members from the Kingsville community gathered for prayer and breakfast at the NASK National Prayer Breakfast on Thursday, February 9, 2006 held at *The All Hands Club*.



LtCol Gregg Deeb, Commanding Officer of VT-22 spoke eloquently about being abundantly blessed and thankful.



VFW members Bob and Harriet Daehn of Kingsville came out to support the National Prayer Breakfast hosted by the NASK Chaplains office.



# From the Bridge

Last Fall, NAS Kingsville was fortunate enough to gain as an employee one of the most energetic Public Affairs Officers in the navy. He was everywhere on this base and in the town and he even had a hand in the "From the Bridge" articles as my ghost writer. Pat Fisher deserves a loud round of applause and a huge "Thank you" from the base. Even though I was disappointed when I heard that he intended to take a job closer to the East Coast and his daughter, I also understand the draw of family and

wish him *Fair Winds and Following Seas* in his new employment.

Unfortunately, his departure to more enticing places is characteristic of a burden we all share here in Kingsville and in South Texas in general. I'm focused on getting the word out that Kingsville is the place to live if you work at NAS and I need your help to define the goods. My intent is to get your positive information out to our incoming Sailors in order to give them a fair representation of the benefits of living in Kingsville. If you think there is something critical missing

from Kingsville, let me know so I can pass that information on to the city to see if they can include those concerns in their plans for how the city will look in the future. If you've got complaints or clear reasons why new personnel choose to live somewhere else, let me know those too. Even better, if you've got a solution, let me know your ideas. Who knows what we'll be able to accomplish as a team, we may even be able to clear up some myths.

Enjoy the rest of February. See you 'round'the base.



CAPT James A. Crabbe Commanding Officer NAS Kingsville

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#### National African American History Month, 2006

A Proclamation by the President of the United States of America

As we celebrate National African American History Month, we recognize the many contributions of African Americans to our country and reinforce our commitment to be a Nation of opportunity and hope for every citizen.

Throughout our history, African Americans have courageously worn our Nation's uniform while defending peace and liberty around the globe. Patriots like Thurgood Marshall and Rosa Parks broke down racial barriers and inspired our Nation to make good on the promise of equal justice under law. Educators like Mary McLeod Bethune and Dr. Frederick Patterson transformed the academic world, with the goal of ensuring that every child has access to a good education. Athletes such as Jesse Owens and Wilma Rudolph and entertainers such as Ossie Davis and Ray Charles have brought pride and joy to generations of Americans. Today, accomplishments of African Americans in every aspect of our society continue to encourage people to reach as far as their vision and dreams may take them.

African-American organizations have played a vital role in achieving justice and equal rights, and they have helped make communities across our country stronger and better. This year's theme of African American History Month, "Celebrating Community: A Tribute to Black Fraternal, Social, and Civic Institutions," recognizes the African-American groups that have worked to confront injustices and expand opportunities. These organizations believe in the potential and worth of every person, and they have worked to help all Americans receive a quality education, to feed the hungry and house the homeless, to encourage youth to make healthy choices, and to reach out to others in need. By answering the call to love a neighbor as we would like to be loved ourselves, these groups have set a positive example, and we continue to be inspired by their compassion and service to others.

Working together, Federal, State, and local government, community organizations, and individual citizens will continue to foster hope and build a better tomorrow for all our children and grandchildren.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE W. BUSH, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim February 2006 as National African American History Month. I call upon public officials, educators, and all the people of the United States to observe this month with appropriate programs and activities that honor the significant contributions African Americans have made to our Nation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty seventh day of January, in the year of our Lord two thousand six, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirtieth.

GEORGE W. BUSH

# Chaplain's Edge -- What is Love?

By Chaplain Gary Heatherly

I remember hearing the story about a couple dating in college. The young man came back to his dorm room told his roommate, "I think I'm in love." His roommate ask, "How do you know?", "Well, we were out driving, just listening to the music, and we came to this romantic little spot near an old church. She said, if you'll put the top down on the car, I'll give you a little kiss." The young man told his roommate "I had the top on that car down in five minutes." "Five minutes?" the roommate said. "I can put the top down on my car in thirty seconds." "Yeah," the young man said, "But you have a convertible." Love motivates us. The problem is, though, that we're confused about what love really is. We have a strong, passion about something or someone and we call it love. 1 Corinthians 13 give us an idea about what love is.

You will find that love isn't a spiritual gift, but rather a fruit of the Spirit. Love is not a gift. A gift enables us to be effective in some ministry. You can have

the gift of encouragement, or the gift of teaching, or the gift of administration. A fruit is evidence of the Spirit living in your life. If you are spirit filled it will be shown by the love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control in your life. John 13:35, say, "By this all will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

Love, also, isn't a fuzzy feeling, but rather a focused action. We all know how powerful our emotions are. God wired us that way, to be emotional creatures. If love for God is the first and greatest commandment and love for others the second, then love is not an emotion. You can't command emotions. In Matthew 5:44, we are told to love our enemies. He doesn't expect us to have warm, fuzzy feelings for our enemies. He isn't telling us how to feel. He's telling us how to act. Now go back to 1 Corinthians 13. Love is patient. Patience is the opposite of emotion. Love is kind. How do you feel today? I feel kind, thank you. No one ever says that. Kindness isn't a feeling. It's what we do. So love is more about what we do and less about how we feel.

Love is not a temporary high, but rather a lasting commitment. 1 Corinthians 13:7, Paul used the word "always" four times to describe the perseverance of love. In verse 8 he said, "Love never fails." In verse 13, he said that love, along with faith and hope, remains. It lasts. Do you realize how important it is that we have something that remains? In the last year we've seen buildings collapse, roads crumble, and trees fall. We've seen integrity erode, marriages dissolve, and commitments wane. Friendships have faded. Promises have been forgotten. Vows have been recanted. We are a temporary culture living in a disposable world. We need one thing that will remain. Love will remain.

No matter what you are going through, no matter who you are, where you are from, or where you are headed, those words carry weight. They become especially powerful when you remember that before you were ever called to live up to that standard, God set it himself. His love for you never fails. It lasts.

### **NASK Donates Care Package Items**



This is just a portion of various gifts and essential items that are being donated by NASK personnel and the Kingsville Navy League to our troops in Iraq. The local effort is part of a larger regional drive spearheaded by Myra Brown, Community Relations Coordinator for CNATRA/NRS. The NASK Chaplain's Corps was the local coordinator for this gift drive. Pictured left to right are: Dick Messbarger, Kingsville Navy League President; NASK Chaplain LT Gary Heatherly; Dick "Bush Hog" Nelson, Kingsville Navy league member and NASK Chaplain LCDR Armando Torralva.

# Care Packages for Troops in Iraq

From NASK Chaplain's Office

We have an opportunity to support our troops in Iraq in a very practical way. Mrs. Myra Brown, Community Relations Coordinator at CNATRA, is coordinating an effort to get much needed items to the troops. The needed items include the following:

**Snacks**: roasted nuts, trail mix and hard candies (no chocolate please).

**Personal items**: like deodorant, wipes, body powder, etc.

**Games:** crossword puzzles, checkers, chess, cards, puzzles and board games. **Other items:** CDs, stationary and phone calling cards

(telephone calling cards are very popular).

If you would like to take part in this superb effort to boost morale, show our support and care for our troops in Iraq then please consider donating one or more of the items listed above. Bear in mind that there is a constant rotation of troops and care packages are always welcomed.

The Chaplains Office will place a collection box in the entry way of Building 2741 (The TRAWING TWO Building).

If you would like to make a monetary donation for the purchase of snack items, you may make your checks payable to: McFall Memorial Chapel Religious Offering Fund. Cash donations will also be accepted. Please bring your monetary donations to the Chaplain's Office located on the first floor of Building 2741, Room 116.

All items will be forwarded to CNATRA who will coordinate delivery of them to Iraq. Items will be collected thru Friday, February 17.

NAS Kingsville has always assisted others in need. Let's do the same for our own.

# T-45s Get Protective Shelters



Protective canopies.

Those odd looking metal frames being erected on the NASK runway will soon morph into covered canopies and are designed to protect the T-45 Goshawk jets from getting too much sun.

Navy studies have shown that the sun's rays are slowly degrading the cockpit canopies, making them difficult to see through by the pilots.

Those studies have shown that the cost of erecting canopied shelters is more affordable than the periodic replacing of the cockpit canopies themselves. Altogether, eighteen of the shelters will be erected.

According to the air station's public works officer, LCDR Glenn Balog, the project should be completed by the end of March.

The contractor is Shelter Structures of Stuart, Fla. According to the company's web site, "Our temporary buildings/temporary shelters provide long life and require virtually no maintenance. They consist of a strong, clear-span frame of galvanized steel arches covered with a skin of weatherproof, heavy-duty reinforced fabric. Engineered for building-code compliance, our temporary buildings can withstand heavy winds and snow loads and can be as safely used in the tropics as in the Arctic."

No doubt, facing arctic conditions is a stretch for the coastal bend. But once the shelters are completed, NASK will benefit in the long run.

# **NASK Tax Center**

Tax season has arrived with the beginning of the New Year. The NAS Kingsville Tax Center is located on the third floor of the command headquarters building. The center is open until April 14, 2006. The hours of operation are Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. The Tax Center number is 516-4829 or 516-4TAX. Services are available to active duty members, retirees, and members of the National Guard and Reserve. Tax Center assistance will only be available for Federal taxes; no state returns will be processed.

Nearly all units/organizations will have at least one unit tax advisor (UTA) ready to assist with income tax returns. UTAs have completed a comprehensive training course and have passed an examination to become certified. UTAs have reference materials and forms for processing federal returns. Active duty members are strongly encouraged to seek assistance from their UTAs at the Tax Center.

As the tax season approaches, additional tax information will appear in the Flying K. Until then, here are some tips to remember when going into this tax season:

Members may qualify for a deferral of taxes owed if they can show that their ability to pay taxes was affected by their military service. The Service Members Civil Relief Act provides this benefit. The deferral is not automatic. A taxpayer must apply for it. When applying, the taxpayer must show how the military service affected the taxpayer's ability to pay. A taxpayer must also have received a notice of tax due, or have an installment agreement with the IRS, before applying for the deferral. The deferral does not extend the deadline for filing any tax returns.

For U.S. Armed Forces personnel serving in a combat zone, the IRS automatically extends the deadline for filing tax returns, paying taxes, filing claims for refund and taking other actions related to federal income tax. The IRS also extends the deadline for those in the U.S. Armed Forces deployed overseas away from their permanent duty station in support of operations in a qualified hazardous duty area but outside the qualified hazardous duty area. The deadline for filing

returns, making payments or taking any other action with the IRS is extended for at least 180 days after (1.) The last day of qualifying combat zone service, or (2.) the last day of continuous qualified hospitalization for injury from service in the combat zone.

For those deploying, it may be helpful to designate someone to represent you on a Federal tax matter. To do this, file Form 2848 (Power of Attorney and Declaration of Representative) with the IRS office where you want your representative to act for you. Only certain limited individuals may be designated as your representative. Examples include, but are not limited to: (1.) attorneys, (2.) certified public accountants and (3.) immediate family members. Your signature on Form 2848 authorizes the individual or individuals named to represent you before the IRS and to receive your tax information.

Again, more information and good tax tips will be coming in the months ahead. The NAS Kingsville Tax Center looks forward to serving our military community again this year!

#### Housing, continued from page 1.

customer's satisfaction and using those surveys to enhance the overall housing experience. The award also looked at community support, referral, marketing and partnering.

Ms. Early credits much of NASK's award winning endeavors to her staff, including Libby Kopatz, housing referral specialist and Rosa Quintanilla, property manager at Hawks Landing. "With continued teamwork, our efforts in providing outstanding service to all our customers shows in their responses."

With a smile, Early added, "We are striving to achieve the "A" List Award at both properties next year."

With an attitude like that, housing folks in the rest of the country may start feeling a bit jealous.

#### Story **Ideas?**

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#### Navy's Public Works Departments Merge With Naval Facilities Engineering Command

#### Integration On Track With CNO's Sea Enterprise Vision

News release from the facilities team Southeast Public Affairs Office Navy Public Works Center Jacksonville/Engineering Field Activity Southeast, Sue Brink, Public Affairs Officer

Jacksonville, Fla.— Continuing on an aggressive path to dramatically transform its global engineering, acquisition, and public works organization, the Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) integrated 47 Navy public works departments (PWD) and Regional Engineer staffs into its organization on Jan. 22. An additional 19 PWDs will join NAVFAC on Oct. 1.

Public Works Departments and Regional Engineer staffs were previously under the command of the Commander, Naval Installations (CNI). Staff joining Navy Public Works Center Jacksonville include PWDs and Regional Engineer staffs from Corpus Christi and Kingsville, Texas; New Orleans, La.; Meridian and Gulfport, Miss.; and Pensacola, Panama City, Jacksonville, Mayport, Orlando and Key West, Fla. and Charleston, S.C.

NAVFAC's integration of the PWDs and Regional Engineer staffs corresponds

with the Chief of Naval Operations mandate to align organization and processes, and drive "business improvement from a cross-enterprise perspective to minimize redundancy and eliminate waste." Furthermore, the merge establishes a single public works delivery model for Navy installation commanders—providing them a full range of facilities products and services.

"Bringing the entire facilities team under the NAVFAC umbrella makes smart business sense for the Navy," said Capt. Paul Walden, Navy Region Southeast Regional Engineer/Navy Public Works Center Jacksonville Commanding Officer. "This integration will provide installation commanders the best value facility support by leveraging the diverse public works capabilities," Walden said.

Since NAVFAC began its global transformation in 2004, the most significant milestone to date has been the consolidation of NAVFAC's commands, formerly comprised of Engineering Field Divisions, Engineering Field Activities, Officers in Charge of Construction, and Public Works Centers, into Facilities Engineering Commands (FECs). These commands report to two NAVFAC commands: NAVFAC Atlantic in Norfolk, Va., and NAVFAC Pacific in Pearl Harbor. Commanding Officers are double-hatted as Regional Engineers.

Facilities Engineering Commands provide the Marine Corps, Regional Commanders, and other Clients a single touch point for all NAVFAC products and services. They also enable NAVFAC to better align and focus on Regional and Client requirements, surge support across regional boundaries, globally implement common business processes, eliminate redundancy and duplication, and return

substantial savings to the Navy, Marine Corps, and its other Clients.

As a part of the FEC transformation, Navy Public Works Center Jacksonville, Engineering Field Activity Southeast and Engineering Field Division South will merge to stand up a new command this summer called NAVFAC Southeast.

Other key accomplishments of NAVFAC's historic transformation include strengthening strategic alliances with its Navy Systems Command partners to eliminate duplicate core competencies such as supply functions; aligning processes, employing best businesses practices; and synergizing its mix of military, civil servants and contractors into a "total force" team to provide optimal effective and efficient facilities engineering products and services worldwide. For more information on NAVFAC's transformation visit www.portal.navfac.navy.mil.

# NASK Pilots participate in Career Day at local School





Pictured above: Marines, 1stLt Daniel Flatley (left) and 2ndLt Jeff Boyer, from TRAWING TWO on board NASK discuss a possible career as a Navy Marine Corps pilot to the next generation. The two pilot's efforts were part of the annual Career Day at Memorial Middle School in Kingsville February 2.



Flying K Story Ideas? Next Publication date March 3, 2006 E-mail information to KNGV-flyingk@navy.mil

# Achievements and Acknowledgments

#### NASK Wings of Gold -

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Congratulations to the student pilots, who received their "wings," designating them as aviators, during a "winging ceremony" held recently at the Naval Air Station Kingsville. The following student pilots received their "wings" February 3, 2006. Pictured in the first row left to right: CAPT Manazir, CDR John Gasperino, XO VT-21, CDR Pat Lyons, CO VT-21, LTJG David Berry, 1STLT Todd Eysenbach, LTJG Mathew Starr, LTJG David Kroc, CAPT Mike Warriner, TRAWING TWO Commodore and CDR Brad Kidwell, XO VT-22. Pictured in the second row left to right, LTJG John Debbink, LTJG James Missler, LTJG Mark Oswalt, LTJG Eric Ponsart, LTJG Comer Knight and LtCol Gregg Deeb, CO VT-22 (Photo by Richard Stewart, NRS Photographer.)



#### **Washington Reenlists for 6 years**



FC2(SW) Mandale Jeboil Washington, NASK Security, received the Oath of Enlistment from STG1 Jermey Adams on Feb. 7. Fire Controlman First Class Washington recently reenlisted for six more years; his next duty station will be in Japan.

#### **Collier Reenlists** for 4 years



On February 7, ACC Kevin Martin, Air Ops, administered the Oath of Enlistment to AC3 Cameron David Collier. Air Traffic Controller Third Class Collier reenlisted for another four years.

#### \*\*\*Award photos, stories welcomed \*\*\*

NASK departments and tenant commands are welcome to submit photographs of awards presentations. Please accompany the photos with copies of the citation awarded. Digital photographs should be of the highest resolution possible and may be submitted by e-mailing them to: KNGV-flyingk@navy.mil. The citations may be either e-mailed to or faxed to the Public Affairs Office at 516-6875. Awards photographs may also be brought to Public Affairs Office for scanning. For more information please call 516-6146.

# NASK Quarterly Awards

#### Senior Sailor of Quarter

CDR Adams
Smithyman,
Executive
Officer,
Naval Air
Station
Kingsville
presented
CS1 Billy
Hill with a
plaque for
the Senior
Sailor of the
Quarter,
Feb. 10.



On Feb. 10
AC3 Christian
Olanday was
awarded the
Blue Jacket of
the Quarter by
CDR Adam
Smithyman,
Executive
Officer Naval
Air Station
Kingsville.



Junior Sailor of Quarter



**Blue Jacket of Quarter** 





AEC Gonzalo Garza was awarded a Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal by the Naval Air Station Executive Officer, CDR Adam Smithyman on Feb. 10.

# NASK Appoints Ombudsman



On Friday, February 10, CDR Adam Smithyman, Executive Officer, Naval Air Station Kingsville presented Samantha Goldstein with a letter of designation appointing her as the Command Family Ombudsman.

ENS Kellen Smith Chicago, IL

## New faces around the Station



ACAA Carlos Lopez-Haver San Juan, PR



ENS Benjamin Carlson Panama, NY



Capt. Paul Saunders Evansville, IN



**ENS Michael Renard** Vienna, VA



ENS Chris Keen Frisco, TX



**ENS Patrick Durnin** Wimberley, TX



LT Shalen Cain Norfolk, VA



ENS David Wiltshire, Jr. Midlothian, VA



**ENS Brandon Jones** Fort Worth, TX



ACC Michael Garcia El Paso, TX



2NDLT James McLean Terre Haute, IN

American Cancer Society Relay for Life **Cancer Survivor Kickoff** If you are a cancer survivor please join us Thursday, Feb. 23, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the Christus Spohn HEB Education Center. For more information contact Sylvia Navarro (361) 593-5442.

"There is No Finish Line Until We find a Cure..."

#### **Safety Prize Winners**

The following individuals were the first five to submit a completed Safety Puzzle from the January 20 edition of The Flying K: Feliza Ortega – VT-21 Admin Pricilla Mitchell – MWR Alicia Martinez – CNATRA Det

Lynn Early – Navy Housing

M.J. Reeder - Security

The winners for February 3 were: Jaime Nino – Public Works M.J. Reeder – Security Nancy Macias - Ctr Rose Ann Veloz, Public Works Incentive prizes may be picked up at the Safety Office located in Bldg 2740, room 212 between 7:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

**NAS Kingsville Commissary** Mini Case Lot Sale & Tide/Downy Show Car Expo Friday, Feb. 24 & Saturday, Feb. 25. Sale starts at 10:00 a.m. Free Hot Dogs and Soda from 12 noon - 2:00 p.m. on Saturday. A few deals to look out for are: Nestle 24 pack water, All Liquid detergent Capri-sun 10 pack fruit drinks, Brawny 6 roll paper towels and much more Shop early for the best deals. Please come out and support your **Kingsville Commissary!** 



#### Days to Remember

February 20 - President's Day February 22 - Washington's Birthday

#### At the GYM:

#### \*Massage Therapist

Schedule a massage with Adriana. Call the gym at 516-6171 to learn more.

#### \*Aerobics classes





Step/Sculpt - Mon/Wed at 9:00 am with instructor Angela Cupp: Thirty minutes of fun and EASY step aerobics and thirty minutes of muscular endurance ending with a relaxing stretch segment to improve flexibility, aerobic and muscular endurance.

#### \*Kickboxing with Pilates





Tue/Thu 5:30 p.m. with instructor Lisa Gonzales: Non-contact workout that is a mix of martial arts and boxing. The Pilates incorporated provides combination of flexibility, strength, endurance, and cardio vascular exercise.

# **Quail Season**



Quail season is underway until Feb. 26. Station bird hunting permits are on sale at Outdoor Recreation for \$20.00 for Dove, Quail, and Turkey. Spring Turkey season runs from Apirl 1 - May 14. Station fishing permits are also on sale for \$10.00. These permits are good for one year. Call 516-6191 for more information.

#### **Auto Skills**

We have a DVD ROM vehicle repair library for your automotive needs. Instruction is provided at no additional cost. We have the tools and knowledge to guide you. You CAN do it and save money here! Also, our car wash is open 24/7 and lighted at night for your safety. We are open Mon-Fri: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Call 516-6248 for more information.

# UPCOMING BYENTS



# Sing it loud and sing it proud at the All Hands Club

Yes! Karaoke is back! Come by and belt it out every Wednesday! Bring your friends to enjoy our great drink specials, finger foods, and DJ with all the latest and greatest hits. The fun starts at 8:00pm! For more information call 516-6121.

#### Contractor's Night

Thursdays from 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. all contracted employees of the base can enjoy their very own drink specials at The All Hands Club! (L3 and Rolls-Royce employees must be in uniform!)

#### STATION LIBRARY

- Just in: Large group of educational books on topics ranging from distance learning to EMT certification, and nursing to graduate programs in engineering.
- In honor of Valentine's Day, bring in a paperback during the month of February and you may exchange it for five romantic paperbacks.
- The library has computers for your needs and software to learn and play with.
- We can even accommodate students taking online or correspondence classes. We will be closed for Presidents' Day on Monday, February 20.

#### ITT TICKETS:

Stop by ITT to get tickets at great prices.

ITT Corpus has tickets to great concerts at the Old Concrete Street Amphitheater.
Contact us in advance and we will make arrangements have them delivered.
Blues Traveler Feb 24 - \$27.00
Nickelback Mar 10 - \$41.00
All concerts are held at the Old Concrete Street Amphitheater. Prices and shows are subject to change. No cameras, foods, or drinks allowed. For concert questions call Corpus ITT 961-3961. All sales are final.
Also, we currently have tickets to the places you want to be. Places like the Ice Rayz Hockey Games, The Lexington, many other

attractions.



# TEEN CENTER

Coming soon and brought to you by the after-school care providers at the Youth Center. This Teen Center is to belocated at Hawk's Landing and further details about this exciting new center can be attained by calling Christina Chaves or Delia Martinez at 516-6718. This center will provide quality after-school care especially for teens. This is a great way to get your children to be more active and it gives them a safe place to be while you are at work.

## This Month's Cook's Landing Movies:

Domino
Doom
Dreamer
Prime
Rent
Serenity
Yours, Mine & Ours
Get Rich or Die Trying
The Greatest Game Ever Played
The North Country
Pride and Prejudice
Two For the Money
Waiting
Walk the Line
Zathura

#### Free Bowling to Active Duty and DoD, Monday-Friday 11:00-1:00



Call the Bowling Center at 516-6196 for more information. Also, feel free to call the Snack Bar located right next to the Bowling Center at

516-6506 to see what the special of the day is so you know what you can eat while you bowl!

# WALLYBALL



Looks like volleyball...only smaller. It's called WALLYBALL, and this exciting new team game is now available at the air station gym. The sport is actually played on a racquetball court and only takes a minute to set-up. For equipment, contact the front desk staff at the Gym.

# You've just lost everything in a fire now what?

**Inspector Victor M. Flint,** Federal Fire Department

Statistics show that everyone will be involved in a fire at one point or another in their lives. So what would you do if you lost everything? The first hours after the fire are the most confusing and filled with anxiety. Most people are not able to think clearly because they have been traumatized by one of the worst events that they will ever experience and certainly never forget. So what do you do? After the fire is declared out by the fire department, certain actions must be taken to secure property and start the recovery process. So plan ahead.

Here are some helpful guidelines to assist you if (when) you are involved with a structure type of fire:

- Do not go back into the structure. Once out stay out and stay out of the way. But stick around. Do not leave the scene.
- If you come home to discover that your home was involved, do not go into the structure without speaking to a fire department official and/or your housing representative. The reason is that the structure may not be stable and the atmosphere in the structure could be deadly from the fumes; also, you do not want to compromise the investigation.
- Work with the fire department investigator to find out what actually happened that caused the fire.
- Contact the American Red Cross and other relief services for some immediate aid and assistance.
- Call your insurance company. Even in government housing, you should have renters' insurance. Important papers and receipts should be secured in a fire resistant box or safe.
- Discard food, beverages and medications exposed to heat and smoke.
- Let others know of your relocation (employer, family, school, etc.).

#### **Mandatory Birth Month Recall Instituted for Preventive Health Assessment (PHA)**

HM2 Dustin Vidrine, PAO Branch Health Clinic Kingsville

As times have changed and operational tempos have further increased, the success of Navy Medicine relies on developing an innovative health care strategy to accomplish its mission of Force Health Protection. The development and maintenance of a healthy and fit force is an ongoing process that is evolving with modern times. The Preventive Health Assessment (PHA), a.k.a. the Physical Health Assessment or Periodic Health Assessment is part of that evolving process. The PHA is a tool used to provide a physically and mentally ready deployable force.

OPNAVINST 6120.3 establishes requirements for the Preventive Health Assessment, an annual face to face assessment for all active duty Navy and Marine Corp personnel which consolidates clinical preventive screening tests, immunizations, surveillance of occupational risks, medical record review, assessment of deployment readiness, and counseling that targets the individual members risk factors and behaviors. The PHA truly reinforces Navy Medicines transition to a health care system based on prevention.

In order to further enhance individual medical readiness, a birth month recall has been established for Branch Health Clinic Kingsville to meet the needs of this annual requirement. This system will allow the service member a 'one stop shop' in order to meet their medical readiness requirements.

This system also incorporates the required assessment screening to participate in physical conditioning or to take the Physical Fitness Assessment (PFA) by reviewing the members Physical Activity Risk Factor Questionnaire (PARFQ) and providing the proper documentation for the member and their Command Fitness Leader. The Preventive Health Assessment also eliminates the need for the Routine Five Year Periodic Physical.

In order for Branch Health Clinic Kingsville to serve those entrusted to our care, the areas of responsibility must be clearly defined:

Medical Commands/Medical Departments are responsible for providing Unit Commanding Officers information on a monthly basis to ensure personnel are properly notified.

Active duty members are responsible for making and keeping appointments for the annual PHA during their birth month.

Commanding Officers are responsible for the readiness of their staffs, to include medical readiness.

To schedule your birth month Preventive Health Assessment (PHA) call the BHC Kingsville appointment line at (361) 516-6160 or 516-6313.

For any information regarding this program please contact HM2 Salinas 516-6160 or by e-mail at Asalinas@NHCorpus.med.navy.mil.

#### **New Duty Phone Number**

Branch Health Clinic Kingsville has a new local duty cell phone number for after hours and emergency care. Please call (361) 219-0074

#### STATION **SERVICES** Hours of Operation

Commissary, (Bldg. 4764, 516-6241) Tuesday-Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday. Early Bird shopping hours with reduced services, beginning at 9 a.m., full service, begins at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday until 6 p.m., Thursday until 7 p.m. Friday until 6 p.m., Saturday until 5 p.m.

NAVY EXCHANGE, (Bldg. 4734, 516-6361) Open Monday through Saturday. Early shopping (M-F) at 7 a.m. with gas station entry. Front doors open at 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11-4 p.m.; Monday through **Thursday, 10–6 p.m.;** Friday, 10-5:30 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

The All Hands Club, (Bldg. 3766, 516-6121, to place an order, call 516-6413). Open every day with varying times for different events.

**G**YM (Bldg.1771, 516-6171) Monday-Friday 6a.m.- 9p.m. Weekends and Holidays 10a.m.-6p.m.

**BOWLING CENTER and Snack Bar** (Bldg 1771, 516-6196/6506) Snack Bar, Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m., Bowling Center, Monday-Friday 7 a.m.-10 p.m., Holidays/weekends 12-4 p.m.

Cook's Landing, Recreational Facility, (Bldg 2742, 516-6734) Tuesday -Saturday noon - 8 p.m. Open on most Holidays.

FLYING BEAN COFFEE HOUSE (Bldg 2742, 516-4704) Monday-Friday 6 a.m.-noon.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER, (Bldg. 4706, 516-6176) Monday-Friday, 6:45 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.

LIBRARY, (Bldg.1781, 516-6271) Monday-Friday, 10:30 a.m.-7 p.m.

AUTO/WOOD SKILLS SHOP (Bldg 3783, 516-6248) Tuesday-Friday 10a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday 9a.m.- 5p.m. Outdoor Recreation (Bldg. 3765,

516-6191) Mon. 7 a.m.-3 p.m.; Tue-Weds & Thurs 8 a.m.-4 p.m.; Fri. 8:30-4:30 p.m.; Closed Sat, Sun and Holidays. Rents boats camping trainers canoes, kayaks, camping and fishing equipment, assorted house-hold items such a generators and garden tillers.

# What's in a Name?

Amidst the collection of vintage NAS Kingsville jets displayed on their pedestals on board the air station is a lonely ships bell, hanging proudly from here wooden

Although exactly when the bell was placed there is difficult to pinpoint, where she came from is much easier to trace. It is the ship's bell from the World War Twoera destroyer USS Eberle (DD-430). The ship was named for the Navy's third Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Edward W. Eberle, a native-born Texan.

Edward Walter Eberle was born in Denton, Texas, on August 17, 1864. Raised in Arkansas, he graduated from the the U.S. Naval Academy in 1885. Over the next decade he served in several ships and shore stations, demonstrating a talent for naval ordnance and gunnery.

In the early1900s, he continued his ordnance studies and was one of the Navy's influential figures in this field. He was in charge of the Atlantic Torpedo Flotilla in 1911-13, during which time he received promotion to the rank of Captain. After more sea and shore service, he became superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy, holding that position through World War I. Rear Admiral Eberle commanded Atlantic Fleet battleship divisions in 1919-21, then, with the rank of Admiral, became Commander in Chief of the Pacific Fleet.

In 1923, Admiral Eberle was selected as the Navy's third Chief of Naval Operations. He was successful in obtaining funds to modernize battleships, begin construction of a force of heavy cruisers and complete the aircraft carriers USS Lexington (CV-2) and Saratoga (CV-3). He died on July 6, 1929.

The USS Eberle (DD-430) and USS Admiral E.W. Eberle (AP-123) were named in honor of Admiral Eberle.

The EBERLE (DD-430) was launched 14 September 1940 and soon after her commissioning on 4 December 1940, she steamed south for training in the Caribbean and along the East Coast. She remained in southern waters, operating out of Bermuda with the United States' neutrality patrol, until the end of August 1941. The EBERLE made history when she joined the ERICSSON (DD-440), and three

'four-pipers,' DALLAS (DD-199), UPSHUR (DD-144), and ELLIS (DD-154), as part of Task Unit 4.1.1.

A pioneer group, they were the first U.S. ships to escort convoys along the western end of the vital North Atlantic lifeline to Britain. On September 17, they picked up the convoy of forty-four merchant ships about 350 miles east of Nova Scotia. The untried American crews and their ships would not be tested by German Uboats on this first run, but the men of the EBERLE had an opportunity to prove their mettle on the night of September 24-25. Rain, gale-force winds, and high seas were tossing ships about when fire broke out aboard the freighter SS NIGARISTAN. Plowing through rough seas and damaging winds, the EBERLE steamed toward the stricken ship. Arriving on the scene in record time, she found that the freighter's sixty-threeman crew had abandoned ship and were helplessly adrift in wildly plunging lifeboats. Displaying skill and bravery, the EBERLE's crew began hauling the desperate men aboard. In the process, one of the seamen fell between his lifeboat and the destroyer and was in immediate danger of being crushed.

According to the ship's action report, Ensign L. C. Savage went well "beyond the normal call of duty" when he swung over the side with a bowline, grabbed the sailor, and held on as the destroyer's crew hauled them to safety. The EBERLE went on to successfully rescue the entire crew of the doomed NIGARISTAN and then, continued on her way. Later on the 25th, she and the rest of the pioneer escort group turned the remaining thirty-nine ships over to the British and proceeded with four of the merchantmen into Reykjavik, Iceland.

Continuing escort duty after the United States entered the war, she again put to sea on December 26,1942, heading for the South Atlantic. She was operating out of Brazil, on March 10,1943, when she intercepted the German blockade runner KARIN. When a fourteen-man boarding party from the EBERLE went aboard the KARIN, they found themselves in the midst of a conflagration. The Germans had planted demolition charges throughout the ship. The first explosions killed half of the party outright. Undaunted, the remaining seven



USS Eberle bell located aboard Naval Air Station Kingsville.



USS Eberle (DD-430)

tried to save the KARIN, but fire and further explosions finally forced them to abandon the effort. They joined seventytwo Germans who leapt overboard and were picked up by the EBERLE.

After an overhaul at Charleston, the EBERLE returned to escort duty in North African waters until January 31,1944. She then sailed for Naples to provide fire support for American and British troops ashore at Anzio and protection for troops on transports at sea. On April 20, she broke up an attack by German Eboats on the transport anchorage, sinking one and damaging three others so badly that they were subsequently

In 1946, she returned stateside with three battle stars for World War II service. The EBERLE was assigned to the Naval Reserve Training program until she was placed in reserve May 19, 1950. Finally decommissioned at Boston on 22 January 1951, she was transferred to Greece under the Mutual Defense Assistance Program.

Renamed NIKI, the destroyer joined the Greek navy where she served until 1972



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